

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2020

# Inspiring All

Week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Robin Class	96.15%
Wagtail Class	96.43%
Lapwing Class	97.27%
Parakeet Class	91.36%
Sparrow Class	97.69%
Goldfinch Class	95.76%
Kestrel Class	95.91%

The classes who have won our attendance horses this week are: Lapwing and Sparrow.

### RECOGNITION TARGETS

Next week we will be recognising those who try: **to have resources ready**

### CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Well done to:

- Robin – Etienne, Isla
- Wagtail – Jayden
- Lapwing – Mila, Jaiden
- Parakeet – Taliah, Sebastian
- Sparrow – Summer B, Isla
- Goldfinch – Jorja, Isabella
- Kestrel – Alfie, Lexie

### SCIENCE WORKSHOPS

Year 3 and 5 both really enjoyed their science workshops this week learning about Rocks and Space. Expert visitors always help deepen

knowledge and give opportunities for the children to reflect and ask great questions.



### FEETBEATS

Robins class thoroughly enjoyed their dance 'feetbeat' session this week. They learnt about keeping active as part of a healthy lifestyle.



PARENT WORKSHOP – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February at 2pm

Pauline Wright (a specialist teacher from the learning and language support team at Surrey) is coming in to deliver a workshop to any interested parents who are concerned that their children are struggling to **read and spell**. There are 12 places available! Date – Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February at 2pm. Please let the office or Mrs Roberts know if you would like to book a place.

### SAFER INTERNET DAY

Safer Internet Day is on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2020. The day will be celebrated globally with the theme of: Together for a better Internet. We at the Vale will also be marking the day with activities. More information to follow. Here is a video link to how you as parents can talk to your children about their online lives. <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2020/i-am-parent-or-carer/film-how-can-parents-talk-children>



### BRITISH VALUES

We uphold and learn about these British Values in school:

- Democracy
- Individual Liberty
- The Rule of Law
- Mutual Respect
- Tolerance and Respect of Opinions and Diversity

In our assembly this week we learnt about Chinese New Year and the importance of tolerance, knowledge and respect of all cultures as well as the value of diversity.



- We enjoy learning about different faiths and cultures:
- We listen carefully to other people's points of view
  - We investigate traditions, customs and religious practices and how they strengthen the mixed society we live in
  - We discuss how diversity makes us what we are today

### HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD

Our words of the week this week are: **collect** and **smuggle**. Please do talk about and use these with your children in conversation. Perhaps ask them how they have used them in school? A group of Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed telling me how they were talking 'simultaneously' in the playground this week.

## KS1 Word of the Day

Word of the Day

**Word of the Day :** **collect** (verb)

**Definition :** to gather items together.

*The gang has to **collect** stamps for a history project.*

**Synonym :** gather, assemble.

**Antonym :** disperse.

**Challenge :** Use WOD with -ing -ed -tion suffix.

## KS2 Word of the Day

Word of the Day

(verb / noun)

**Word of the Day :** **smuggle / smuggler**

**Definition :** move something secretly, possibly illegally. Someone who carries out this act.

*The pupil **smuggled** sweets into the playground.*

**Synonym :** sneak.

**Antonym :**

**Challenge :** Use WOD in a complex sentence.

### STATIONERY SHOP

Y6 have asked me to remind all that the stationery shop is open for trading in school at lunchtimes. If you need to get any school equipment at a fair price.

Handwriting Pen 30p

Pritt Stick £1.00



Whiteboard Pens 35p  
 Pencil 15p  
 Sharpener 20p  
 Rubber 10p  
 Ruler 30p  
 Pencil Case 70p

Have a lovely weekend and look forward to some more learning next week.

**Cathy Browne and Sarah Leyland  
 Co-Headteachers**

**LAPTOPS**

We are putting out a plea to any families who have or are thinking of upgrading their laptops. As we personalise learning for some individuals there is an increasing need for laptops within school and wonder if any of you would like to donate your second-hand ones. GLF IT services have said that in order for the network and server to support them, they would need to support Windows 10 (so would probably be no older than 5 years old).

**DATES**

(New dates highlighted in blue)

Spring Term Dates		
27 – 31.01.20	Year 6 Bikeability	
05.02.20	Theatre Group Years 5 & 6	
04.02.20	Reading and Spelling Workshop	
11.02.20	Safer Internet Day	
17 – 21.02.20	Half term	
24.02.20	INSET DAY	
03.03.20	Junior Citizenship Year 6	
04.03.20	Pedals Year 2	
05.03.20	Skipping workshop – all years	
09 – 13.03.20	Comic Relief Week	
11.03.20	Parent Consultation	
12.03.20	Year 1 & 2 Great Fire of London Workshop	
16 – 27.03.20	Living Eggs in school	
24.03.20	Year R Trip	
26.03.20	Last week of swimming for Year 3	
30.03.20	Epsom & Ewell Infant Music Festival Rehearsals	
31.03.20	Epsom & Ewell Infant Music Festival	
01.04.20	Epsom & Ewell Infant Music Festival	
02.04.20	Year 3 & 4 Production	9.00am and 6.00pm
03.04.20	Term ends 1.30pm	

